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ANNUAL REPORT.

CHRISTIAN BRETHREN,

IN grateful and humble acknowledgment of the forbearance and goodness of God, the Directors of the American Education Society present their Eighth Annual Report.

They do this with mingled emotions of *sorrow, solicitude and encouragement.*

Of *sorrow*, in memory of the DEAD. Since the last annual meeting, several Beneficiaries and friends, and a large number of the ministers of Christ have died. Of the Beneficiaries, Amasa Symonds and Samuel Walcutt. Of the most active friends, Rev. Daniel Smith and Rev. Zephaniah Swift Moore. Of the ministers of Christ more than thirty.* Their instruction, their example, their benevolent exertions, their prayers, their counsel and cooperation, can no longer benefit those, who were so greatly benefitted by them. But we do not mourn, as those without hope. This crowd of witnesses, we have reason to believe, has gone to be with him, concerning whom they testified. The dying beds, as well as the lives of those more immediately connected with this Society, illustrated the power and value of that religion, which they lived to promote, and in the belief of which, they died. While your Beneficiary Samuel Walcutt was in the agonies of

* See Note A.

death, a christian friend and minister put his ear close to his agitated lips, and heard his last prayer : “ Lord Jesus, save me—have mercy on a sinner—Saviour of sinners, have mercy—receive me—take my soul !” * Nearly the last words Dr. Moore were, after thanking his physician with his usual sweetness and serenity, for telling him that he must die,—“ *God is my hope, my shield and my exceeding great reward.*” Praying that ours may be the happiness to supply the place thus left vacant by death ; to imitate the example of the departed as far as they imitated Christ ; and to die with the same humble reliance on the Saviour, and with the same hope of an exceeding great reward ; we must leave the scene where we should love to linger ; and present some causes of solicitude. These relate to the Beneficiaries ; the state of the funds ; and the increasing desolations of our country.

In regard to the Beneficiaries, the Directors cannot but feel, that in many instances, they are in danger of *discouragement*. Many of them are young men of delicate feeling and slight acquaintance with the world. They would rather labour all their lives, than receive charitable aid, if there were any other way in which they could obtain the desires of their hearts, a suitable preparation for the sacred ministry. But their early advantages of education have been small ; their parents are not able to assist them ; they have no wealthy relatives ; they are not acquainted with men or things out of the little neighbourhood, in which they have always lived. How then can they obtain an education without charitable assistance ? After they have commenced their studies, they have not only the discouragements arising from the plague of their own hearts ; the indiscreet conduct of their companions ; and the reproaches of those who have no sympathy with them ; but they soon find themselves involved in debt ; they are urged to pay their debts, and they wish

* See Note B.

do it; but all they can earn, and all they receive, not only does not enable them to do it, but if they pursue their studies, leaves them to be involved more and more.* They are sometimes quite discouraged; and in these circumstances their health begins to fail. If we had time, we could state facts in this place, which would awaken compassion in hearts least susceptible of sympathy.

There is likewise cause of solicitude, in respect to our funds. Some of the most important auxiliaries have greatly fallen off, in their contributions, the last year. Not long since, more than three thousand dollars were due for arrearages, on annual subscriptions; and the receipts of seven months of the last year, were more than three thousand five hundred dollars less, than the receipts of the same seven months of the year before; and more than six thousand dollars less, than the receipts of the same months in 1819.† At the same time, this statement, which has already been exhibited in several of the religious papers, has not produced the effect, which it was fondly hoped it would.

The remaining cause of solicitude is *the increasing desolations of our country*. All the testimony which is presented, on this subject, shall be from authentic documents. In the Narrative of the state of Religion in the Presbyterian Church for May 1823, it is thus written; "We wish distinctly to announce the fact, that the means of religious instruction within our bounds are inadequate, in a lamentable degree, to the demand for their employment. In the Presbytery of Niagara, there are thirty one churches, and only seven ministers and Licentiates. The Presbytery of Albany is among those best supplied with the ministry of the Gospel; but in four counties, within its bounds, more than 50,000 souls are represented as destitute of adequate means of grace. In the extensive states of Mississippi and Louisia-

* See Note C.

† Note D.

na, there cannot be found more than eight or ten Presbyterian ministers, and very few of any other denomination. The whole territory of Michigan is yet Missionary ground while East and West Florida, with a numerous population in a very interesting state, have no minister of our communion. At the same time, we are assured, that the deficiency is increasing. New settlements unfurnished with a christian ministry, are forming in the west, while the demands of the east are not diminished. The wave of emigration rolls farther and farther onward, and unless God interpose, it would really seem, that our children are likely to settle, on the banks of the Pacific Ocean, without the christian Religion. In 1819 there were *four hundred and eighty one more Congregations than Clergymen*, in the Presbyterian Church, and the evil has greatly increased since.*

In the last and eighth annual Report of the Board of Managers of the General Convention of the *Baptist Denomination*, we find a statement of the number of churches and the number of ministers, by which it appears, that "there are in the Baptist Denomination, in the United States *one thousand and thirty five vacant churches.*"† In view of this fact, the Report adds—"Alas! how many churches are destitute of pastors? How many districts of our country are destitute of preaching?" "*Pray ye therefore the Lord of the Harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his Harvest.*"

From the most authentic accounts, it appears, that there are, in the Episcopal Church, more than three hundred vacant Congregations.‡ Bishop Chase writes from Ohio "With anguish of heart inexpressible, I have been forced to see the field of God's husbandry lie waste."

There are no documents from the Congregational Church, as a body, exhibiting the want of ministers. Our authority therefore, on this subject, must be the public docu-

* See Note E. † Note F. ‡ Note G.

ments of Missionary and Education Societies. Concerning Maine, we make the following extracts from the Reports of the Maine branch of the American Education Society, and the last Report of the Maine Missionary Society. "In this part of the land, there is many a moral waste to be subdued, and many a languishing vineyard to be cultivated. We look around, and behold what our Saviour saw and was moved with compassion,—multitudes scattered and exposed like sheep without a shepherd, and we pray that the great Lord of the Harvest would send forth Labourers." "From Ellsworth to Machias, a distance of sixty miles, including eight incorporated towns, there is no place, to which the hungry soul may resort, from Sabbath to Sabbath, for the bread of life." In the State of Maine, *one hundred and twenty seven towns*, many of them extensive and populous, are destitute of Presbyterian, Episcopal, or Congregational Ministers."*

In New Hampshire, the region of the Monadnock is a moral wilderness peculiarly dark and dreary. "Our Missionary," says the Report of the New Hampshire Missionary Society, "laboured in fourteen towns, and found little, feeble, and disheartened churches. They were endeavouring to strengthen the things which remain, and are ready to die; some persons, in these towns, have lived twelve years, without seeing a Missionary, and some are destitute of the Bible." "Before the Rev. Mr. Burt was settled in Durham, there had been no communion in the church, in five years; and none in the churches in East Kingston and Hawke, in twenty years; and the church in New Durham, formerly containing forty members, had become extinct; and the town had been destitute of a Minister thirty five years; and the church in Southampton, which contained forty years before, sixty two members, was reduced to two

* See Note H.

females ; and had been destitute of a minister twelve years." The last report of the Union Education Society in New Hampshire gives *one hundred* as the number of destitute churches in that State.

In Vermont, in 1821, *eighty one* towns had no Minister of any denomination, and one hundred and thirty nine towns had no Presbyterian, Episcopal, or Congregational minister ; and the number of Congregational ministers, instead of increasing with the population, had diminished, in seven years, from 89 to 83.*

In Massachusetts, there are many destitute churches, and much, that is worthy of being repeated, has been written concerning them. But we know of nothing so affecting, as the dying testimony of the late venerable Dr. Lathrop, at that time more than ninety years of age. Standing on the verge of the grave, he lifts his voice in behalf of the churches in Massachusetts. "Knowing, that I must soon put off my tabernacle, I have felt desirous to stir up my fellow christians and brethren, in the Ministry, to renewed diligence and activity, in this particular field of christian labour. Within the limits of this Commonwealth are *thirty nine vacant churches and congregations*, many of which have been, a long time, exceedingly depressed, and some of them struggling for existence. This is not an imaginary statement ;—I would to God it were ; these churches have been planted by the pious labours of our forefathers ; have shared in the gracious influences of the good Spirit ; and we trust have sent many representatives to the world of glory. Hitherto they have been sustained, while the billows of affliction have been breaking upon them ; but the time seems at length to have arrived when they must inevitably sink, unless something is done to save them."

In Connecticut, according to its population, more Missionaries are employed, and greater exertions are made to

* See Note I.

supply its waste places, than in any other State in the Union.

In New York, the United Domestic Missionary Society, lately formed, calls for thirty Missionaries, and asserts, that one hundred could soon be settled, if they could be obtained.

Of all the other States, there is not one, which has yet come forward, *as a State*, to the labour of supplying its own destitute and perishing population. There are indeed Domestic Missionary Societies, in Philadelphia, Norfolk, Richmond, Charleston, Augusta and some other cities; one in Delaware, and one in Tennessee. But there is no Pennsylvania, Virginia, Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, or Ohio Domestic Missionary Society. Will it be said, that the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church has a Board of Missions embracing the whole?—In all this we rejoice;—but let it be remembered, that the receipts of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church for this object, in 1819 were less than the salary of one clergyman, in the city of New York.* We ask then, why there are no *State* Domestic Missionary Societies, in the South and West? Is it because there is no need of them? If all the Domestic Missionary Societies in New England and New York should do as much as they now do, and direct their whole attention to the single object of supplying Virginia alone with clergymen, as well as Connecticut is now supplied, they could not accomplish the object, in nine years; for they do not employ more than one hundred Missionaries annually, and in Virginia the number of clergymen is less by nine hundred and eighty six, according to the population, including those of all denominations, than in Connecticut.† The editor of the Evangelical and Literary Magazine asserts without fear of contradiction, that there is not, in the State, one qualified

* \$2296 was the whole amount of receipts for that year.

† See Note J.

minister for four thousand souls ; and that not one in twenty of the organized christian congregations enjoys the full benefit of pastoral labours. Again, then, we ask, why is there not a Virginia Domestic Missionary Society ? Why are there not *State* Domestic Missionary Societies in all the south and west ?—for we have a volume of testimony to shew the necessities of a vast and perishing population, and what is more melancholy still, a population increasing with unexampled rapidity, while there is no correspondent increase of religious institutions ? Why then are no means adopted by the States, *as States*, adequate to the exigencies of the case ? The answer is this : if Societies were formed and monies raised, missionaries could not be obtained. The Domestic Missionary Societies already formed, cannot obtain an adequate supply, and the *increase* of population, alone, demands more than all, who enter the ministry.* The increase of population is three hundred thousand, annually, demanding three hundred ministers, annually ;—or three millions in ten years, demanding three thousand ministers every ten years ; while the rate of supply, even in the present improved state of the colleges, will not exceed 150, annually, or 1500 in ten years, leaving a deficiency for the increase of population alone of 150 annually, or 1500 in ten years. In view of these facts we should sink in despair, if we could not look to God.

But amidst all our solicitude, we find in the events of the present day, peculiar reasons for *encouragement*. There are more than forty periodical religious publications in the United States, and not less than fifty thousand copies of them circulated, weekly, which are read by at least one hundred thousand persons. These papers receive and republish our reports and communications, and thus afford a medium, through which we can address tens of thousands, weekly, in favour of our object. In looking over the files of some of

* See Note K.

those, most extensively circulated; scarcely a paper is found, which does not contain something on the subject.*

Those Editors, who have acknowledged the receipts of the Treasurer of the American Education Society; who have commended the last Report to their readers; and republished interesting matter for the benefit of the Society; and sent their papers gratuitously to the Agent, will accept the grateful acknowledgments of the Directors. Our hands are strengthened by their cooperation.

We are encouraged by the *Reports and Documents of Auxiliary and other Education Societies*. There have been a greater number of interesting Reports, and valuable Documents, and occasional Sermons (all designed to promote the same object) within the last, than during any preceding year; and we can see in them, that we are not spending our strength for nought.† While they greatly encourage us, they kindly acknowledge, that they too are assisted and encouraged by our efforts. But while we acknowledge the increase and improvement of the public Documents of the last year, we would suggest, what we think important to every Education Society:—that its Report be printed, containing the constitution of the Society, and a very full Report from the Treasury, exhibiting the towns and persons contributing, and the Sums contributed by each; the names of the Officers; the names of the members; the time and place of the annual meeting; and the person appointed to preach. If we are not deceived, we see reasons more numerous than we can mention, why these rules should be observed by those, on whom it devolves to prepare Reports of Education Societies. When the Report is printed, let it be carefully circulated over the whole field, which the Society is intended to include, and the officers may be certain, that it will be good seed in good ground. But if those who are invited to con-

* See Note L.

† Note M.

tribute, can say; we never saw the constitution, nor an acknowledgment of receipts from the Treasurer; we do not know the officers, nor do we know any reasons for effort in this cause; it will not be surprising if they do not contribute. Some of the Reports of the last year have been what they should be, and some of the sermons have been full of important facts on the great subject of educating pious young men for the ministry; and we have reason to believe from the Reports and Sermons of the last year, that few more years shall have passed away, before it will be a reproach to those who prepare Reports, and to those who write Sermons on such occasions, if these documents are not filled with important facts on the subject.

We are encouraged by the *late liberal benefactions* to this and kindred objects.* These benefactions, which are or

* Within the last eighteen months, a gentleman in Norwich, Vt. gave \$1,000 to the Union Education Society. A few individuals in Hanover and the vicinity, have subscribed five thousand dollars to assist indigent Students in Dartmouth College. A member of the Norfolk County Auxiliary Education Society gave one thousand dollars. Four friends of the Society in Monson, Mass. subscribed 3,500 dollars to the Monson fund for the support of Beneficiaries of the American Education Society in Monson Academy. Rev. Zephaniah Swift Moore bequeathed three fifths of his estate amounting to 7,000 dollars to the Amherst Collegiate charity Institution. Mr. Johnson of Pelham bequeathed 5,000 dollars to the same object and a subscription of 30,000 dollars for the same has been obtained. A gentleman in New York has founded a Professorship in Auburn Theological Seminary. The bequests of Mr. Sherard of New York, to the General Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church amount to 57,000 dollars. The bequests of Deacon John Withington of New York, were 10,000 dollars to the American Bible Society, 10,000 dollars to the Baptist Convention, and 5,000 dollars to Columbian College, D. C. A subscription of 26,000 dollars has been raised for the Theological Seminary at Brunswick N. J. Another of 10,000 dollars for the Episcopal Theological Seminary and others of nearly 5,000 dollars to the Theological Seminary at Hampden Sidney College, Vir. Mr. John Oliver of Baltimore bequeathed 20,000 dollars for the education of poor children, under the care of the Hibernian Society in that city, and the Kidd fund in Ohio already gives instruction

the whole visibly increasing, from year to year, evince a deep conviction in the public mind, of the vast importance of these various objects of christian benevolence, and a full determination to make all the exertions necessary to promote them.

We are encouraged by learning the number of Students in this country, who have been received and assisted by Education Societies :

Maine Branch of American Education Society,	thirteen.
Union Education Society, N. H. and Vt.	fourteen.
North West Branch of Amer. Education Soc.	forty two.
Massachusetts Benev. Education Society,	fourteen.
Massachusetts Baptist Education Soc.	fifteen.
Worcester and Hampshire Co. Ed. Soc's.	unknown.
Connecticut Education Society,	more than forty.
Presbyterian Ed. Soc. New York,	One hundred and two.
Baptist Education Society, New-York,	thirty two.
Philadelphia Education Society,	thirty five.
American Education Soc.	four hundred and fourteen.
Fifty eight having been received the last year.	

Whole number as stated above, seven hundred and twenty one.*

All the Societies above mentioned, with two exceptions, were formed since the American Education Society, and all acknowledge the encouragement, which they receive from our example and documents.

We are encouraged by the formation, within the last eight-
400 poor children. Mr. William Scott of Elizabethtown N. J. has endowed a Scholarship in the Theological Seminary at Princeton, and William Walker, Esq. of Putnam county, Geo. another in the Columbian College, each by the gift of 2,500 dollars. Making a sum total of monies given and bequeathed within the last eighteen months, principally for the purpose of educating pious young men for the Ministry, of two hundred and twenty one thousand five hundred dollars.

*Note N.

teen months, of Virginia, North Carolina and Georgia Education Societies, which are intended to try the energies of these great States. How long it will be before all the Education Societies of the different denominations, Colleges and States, will feel that the great object can be most successfully promoted, as in the case of the American Bible Society, by one great National Society, we do not predict ; until then we bid all kindred Societies God speed.

We are encouraged by the prospect of as many worthy applicants for charitable assistance, as we can receive and educate. We look to Sabbath Schools, Bible classes and Revivals of Religion for this supply of Beneficiaries. In Sabbath Schools, are seen those, who shall be the future Missionaries and Ministers of the cross. In Great Britain, a great majority of the orthodox ministers under 40 years of age ; a still greater proportion of the missionaries from that to other countries ; and Dr. Morrison, among them, who has lately translated the Bible into the language of the millions of China, became pious in Sabbath Schools. May we not hope, that very many will become pious in the Sabbath Schools of America, and be educated for the Ministry by this and kindred Societies ?*

We mention Bible classes because we desire their increase, and we delight to contemplate the reciprocal action upon each other of the simultaneous efforts of the present day for the improvement of the rising generation.

But our highest encouragement arises from revivals of religion. It has been recently ascertained, that out of eighty six young men, who are now preparing for the ministry, forty seven, if they are christians, were subjects of revivals. For more than one half therefore of future beneficiaries and ministers of Christ, we may look to Revivals of Religion. What encouragement then do we receive from the recent and

* See Note O.

powerful revivals of religion, with which it has pleased God to bless the American Churches.

We are encouraged by the good conduct of our Beneficiaries, to hope that we are educating those, who will be eminently useful in the church. The evidence of their worth is derived from the certificates of their instructors, and from their quarterly returns. This testimony relates to their diligence and progress in study; their standing as scholars and christians; their economy and personal exertions. It is given at the end of each quarter, by Presidents and Professors in Colleges and Instructors in Academies, and with few exceptions, is in all respects favourable to their character. During the last year, out of one hundred Beneficiaries, four have been interrupted by ill health, who are again pursuing their studies successfully. Three have been suspended for imprudence and deprived of the quarterly appropriations for a time, who have been since restored on confession and evidence of amendment. More than ninety out of one hundred have given their Instructors the satisfaction of bearing favourable testimony, at the end of each quarter, concerning the excellence of their character.

The friends of the Society will be gratified to learn some general results from the quarterly returns, in confirmation of the testimony of their instructors concerning the diligence, economy and personal exertions of the beneficiaries. First, concerning their diligence. The number of weeks, annually spent in study at the different colleges, is thirty nine; the average number of weeks, in which one hundred beneficiaries attended to their studies, during the last year, was thirty six and an half, only losing two and an half weeks each, and this too, without deducting the time, in which they were absent to each school. Secondly, concerning their economy. The average price paid for board by each of the same number was one dollar and thirty nine cents per week, and the aver-

age of all their expenses above their earnings, twenty nine dollars per quarter. Thirdly, concerning their personal exertions. The amount received, last year, by one hundred beneficiaries for teaching school, was two thousand five hundred and twenty dollars ; and the amount received for labour eight hundred and eighty dollars.*

We are encouraged, also, by the state of the Institutions, where they are pursuing their studies. Nearly all the Colleges in New England and New York, within a few years, have been unusually blessed with the refreshing influences of the Holy Spirit. Since 1820 one hundred and seventy Students, in these Colleges, have given satisfactory evidence of conversion.†

We notice with pleasure also the various benevolent and religious associations, in the Colleges, favourable to the formation of valuable character, in the students. In almost every College there is a Theological Society ; a Society of Inquiry respecting Missions ; and on Sabbath morning a concert of prayer for the Literary Institutions of our country. Besides this many of the students are engaged as teachers in Sabbath Schools. All these things are calculated to form young men for usefulness, in this age of action.‡

We are encouraged by the facilities afforded, at these Colleges, to indigent young men, to obtain an education. Ten classical Libraries, at least, have been formed, in the Colleges, for the benefit of indigent students. The price of board is reduced, at some of the New England Colleges, to one dollar and one dollar and twenty five cents per week. Tuition is paid from the College funds for indigent students, at Bowdoin, Amherst, Williams and Union Colleges. Great assistance in clothing and furniture for rooms is rendered by female benevolent associations, in Williamstown, Amherst and New Haven ; and the Students generally are

* See Note P. † See Note Q. ‡ See Note R.

permitted to teach school, some weeks, in the winter, to procure the means of assisting themselves.

We are encouraged by the number of hopefully pious students, in the Colleges, at the present time ; and the number of the same character graduated this year and last. In all the Colleges, in the United States, seven hundred and eight students sustain the christian character. One hundred and forty three of this character were graduated last year, and this year one hundred and fifty six.

We are encouraged by the favourable change, which the Colleges have already undergone, partly through the influence of Education Societies. In fifty years previous to 1810, less than one fifth of the whole number of students graduated in the United States became ministers. During the last two years more than one third of the whole number graduated, are hopefully pious.

We are encouraged by the increasing interest and spirit of prayer among christians, in behalf of our Literary Institutions. The 27th day of February last, was extensively observed, with deep interest, as a day of fasting and prayer for this object ; and many recollect it, as one of the happiest days in their lives ; having received into their own bosoms, at the time, those spiritual blessings, which they implored for others. The Colleges with few exceptions, observed the day, and it was a day to some of them, long to be remembered. Generally, where it was not followed by all the gracious influences of the spirit, which might have been desired ; it was followed by unusual seriousness and self examination and prayer, in the College Churches. May it not be found expedient, that a day of fasting and prayer be annually observed by the American Churches for our Literary Institutions.

We are encouraged by the reflection, that through the influence of Revivals and Education Societies, at least three

hundred and fifty pious young men in our Theological Seminaries ; seven hundred and eight, in our Colleges ; and more than two hundred, in our Academies ; amounting to twelve hundred and fifty eight, are pursuing their studies, who will probably become ministers of the gospel ;—which is a greater number than were educated for the ministry in thirty years previous to 1810.

To revivals of religion we look for the best young men to be educated, and for that spirit which disposes the Churches to educate them. We are greatly encouraged therefore by the special influences of the spirit, with which it has pleased a merciful God, during the last year to bless the large cities, the different States, and different denominations of christians, in this country.* Many heirs of glory, and many future ministers and missionaries, have doubtless been born again. The places left vacant by those who were not suffered to continue by reason of death, shall be supplied, and the friends of Christ be filled with joy and praise, at the increasing prosperity of his Church. One† long engaged in preaching the gospel and guiding the studies of youth, who was present the last year, and took part in the exercises of the evening, is no more. If he could now speak, how would he encourage us ? Having been admitted to the presence of God and the Lamb ; and having felt the happiness of a redeemed and glorified spirit ; and having seen the glory of those, who have turned many to righteousness ; and having felt more than we can feel for those remaining, on earth, without the knowledge of a Saviour—Oh ! could *he* speak to us ; would there remain any indifference to the glory of God ; any, who would not highly esteem the ministry of reconciliation ; any want of sympathy and prayer and effort for those who are dying in their sins, and those who desire to preach the gospel to them ; any despondency after all that we have

* See Note S.

† Rev. Zephaniah Swift Moore.

of the progress of the Redeemer's kingdom; any thing but thanksgiving, and honour and glory to Him who redeemed us with His blood,—unless it be repentance and humiliation for our sloth, and continual prayer that the “*Lord would comfort Zion; that he would make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord.*”

TREASURER'S REPORT,

From September 30, 1822, to September 30, 1823.

Balance of Current Fund from last year	\$5416 74
Amount received on Donation	6816 84
Do. do. Permanent Fund	100
Do. do. Interest account	1573 26
Do. do. Annual subscriptions	1057
Do. do. Notes received	18 50
Do. do. Life subscriptions	1980
	<u>\$16,962 34.</u>
Amount paid sundry Beneficiaries	\$10,110 00
Paid for Agency in behalf of the Board, Clerk to } the Board, printing Directors' Reports, &c. }	1429 30
Balance of Permanent Fund uninvested	100
Do. Current Fund to new account	5323 04
	<u>\$16,962 34</u>

Errors excepted.

PERMANENT FUND.

Thirty five shares in United States Bank Stock	\$3500 00
Seven per cent Stock of the United States	4080 00
Brick Dwelling House	6000 00
Notes of Individuals on Interest	8300 00
Cash uninvested	100 00
	<u>\$21,980 00</u>

A. P. CLEVELAND, *Treas.*

Boston, Sept. 30, 1823.

BOSTON, OCT. 1, 1823.—Examined the above account, and find it correct and well vouched.

PLINY CUTLER, *Auditor.*

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APPENDIX.

LIFE MEMBERS.

In this list, all the ministers were made Life Members by females, except in those instances, where it is otherwise specified.

Abbot Abiel Rev. Beverly	\$40	Bradford Moses Rev. Francis-	
Allen Jonathan Rev. Bradford	40	town, N. H.	40
Andrew J. O. Rev. Columbia,		Briggs Isaac Rev. Boxford	40
S. C.	40	Brigham David Rev. East Ran-	
Andros Thomas Rev. Berkley	40	dolph	40
Arnold Joel R. Rev. Chester N.		Brown James Esq. Danvers	100
H. from the Female Ct. As.		Brown Joseph Rev. Charleston,	
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Richardson Jeffery, Do.	5	Taylor Samuel P. Do.	5
Robbins Francis L. Rev. Enfield, Conn.	5	Tenney C. J. Rev. Weathers- field, Conn.	5
Robinson Daniel North Provi- dence, R. I.	5	Thayer Jechanias	5
Rutledge Frederick, Charleston, S. C.	5	Thomas Jane Mrs. S. C.	5
		Thomas Mary Mrs. Charleston, S. C.	5
Sandwick M. Mrs. Augusta, Geo.	5	*Thurston William Esq. Boston	5
Scott Mary Miss, S. C.	5	Tolman Rev. Shirley	5
Sewall William, Boston	5	Train Samuel, Boston	5
Shattuck George Dr. Boston	5	Trask Israel, Beverly	5
*Simonds Wm. Charleston, S. C.	5	Truesdell N. Augusta, Geo.	5
Singleton Thomas, Do.	5	Tucker William, Boston	5
Slack Eliphalet I. Sekonk	5	Tyler John E. Dea. Do.	5
Slater Samuel, North Provi- dence, R. I.	5	Venning Jonah M. Charleston, S. C.	5
Slaughter A. Augusta, Geo.	5	Ward Asa, Boston	5
Smith Agnes Mrs. S. C.	5	Weld Levi, Braintree	5
Smith E. D. Dr. Prof. Chem. S. C. Coll.	5	Welsh Francis, Boston	5
*Spring Samuel Rev. Newburyport	5	Whipple Charles, Newburyport	5
Stearns Asahel Hon. Cambridge	5	Whitman Samuel Rev. Goshen	5
Stearns Samuel Rev. Bedford	5	Wilkinson David, North Provi- dence, R. I.	5
Stevens Isaac, Boston	5	Wilkinson Isaac, Do.	5
Storrs Richard S. Rev. Braintree	5	Winzell Henry, Do.	5
Stuart A. Mrs. Beaufort, S. C.	5	Woodward Joseph, Haverhill, N. H.	5
Stuart T. M. Rev. Do.	5	*Worcester Samuel Rev. Salem	5
Sullivan John L. Boston	5	Worthington William, Boston	5

DONATIONS

from Sept. 30, 1822, to Sept. 30, 1823.

bington, Conn. 3 pr. socks from two ladies.		box kept in Miss Wood- bury's school	2,00
lbaney, N. Y. James Brown	2,50	Billerica, a few Ladies	5,
lstead, N. H. West Parish	16,52	Blanford, from Ladies	16,
Silas Newton	2,	Boston, Col. at the anniv.	182,47
mherst, Month. Concert of prayer in Centre Dist.	17,	Aux. Ed. Soc. of young Men	1000,
Month. Con. First Parish	3,	Females of Park Street Church and Cong.	7,75
ndover, Friend	1,	Do. Do. Do.	73,78
Friend South Parish	1,06	C. I. Adams	10,
Rev. Ebenezer Porter, D.D.	50,	Enclosed to the Treasurer	5,
Rev. Leonard Woods, D.D.	50,	Boston Female Soc. and its vicin. aux. to Amer. Soc.	183,85
John Adams Esq.	5,	Male members of Park Street Church	41,
Young Men's Ed. Soc.	20,	Members of the Old South Church for 1822	25,
A. J. Gould	2,	Avails of yarn sold, Mr. Bancroft	10,38
Degrass Shipman	1,	Do. Do. Miss Farrar	34,34
Mrs. Woods	1,	Dea. William Phillips	100,
shby, Monthly Con. in Rev. I. M. Putnam's Society	13,	Rev. Mr. Wilbur	1,
Do. do.	17,	I. P. Taylor	5,
Aux. Ed. Soc. in Rev. I. M. Putnam's Soc.	15,3-4	Avails of yarn sold by Miss Farrar	14,34
yds Cloth, and Cash	9,	Female friend	1,
Sisters' Soc. 3 pr Foot- ings, 3 Shirts, 10 Hkfs, and cash	1,50	Norman McLeod	100,
Monthly Con. of prayer in Rev. I. M. Putnam's Soc.	22,	Boxford, Coll. in Rev. Mr. Briggs' Society	10,25
shfield, Fem's in the South Parish thro' the Hamps. Christ. Deposit. ; Bed, bolster and pil's. Bed- quilt, Cotton Quilt, 2 pr Shirts, 3 pr pillow Cas- es, 2 patterns for panta- loons, Coat and pr Sks ; Valued at	42,11	Boylston, Fem. Cent Society Charitable Society : Bed Blanket, pr. Sheets, pr. Pillow cases, pr. Panta- loons, Vest, 3 Shirts, 10 pr. Socks, 1 pr. Shoes and 5 Hkfs. valued at	15,42
arnet, Vt. Friend	2,	Bradford, N. H. Rev. Rob- ert Page	3,
Fem. Cent. Soc. Bedquilt, 2 1/2 yds cloth and 1 shirt.		Do. Do.	2,
eauford, N. C. John Ryan	5,	A friend's annual dona- tion	5,
Dr. Lyman Strong 10 Dls. and Clarissa S. 10 Dls.	20,	Braintree, Jona. Newcomb	2,50
edford, N. H. Fem. Cent. Soc.	5,	Do. & Weymouth Young Ladies in the union Soc. 1 pr. Socks and Cash	1,50
erlin, Rev. Reuben Puffer D. D.	4,	Bristol, R. I. Betsey Wardwell	1,
erksire, Aux. Ed. Soc.	78,56	Avails of a gold necklace, from an indigent friend	5,50
Do. Do.	246,		
everly, Proceeds of a Charity			

Ann Russell	3,00	nel, 5 yds. Cotton Cloth,	
Brookfield, Jesse Bannister	5,	2½ yds. Tow Cloth, 1	
Brookline, Proceeds of a potatoe field	5,20	pr. linen Sheets, 10½ pr.	
Charity box	15,06	Pillow cases, 5 Shirts,	
An individual	10,	1 Shirtee, 6 pr. Socks,	
Annual sub. of a friend	1,52	1 pr. linen Pantaloons,	
Cazenovia, N. Y. Luther		1 Coat, 2 vests, 1 flannel	
Burnell	5,	Shirt, 1 hkf., 2 pr.	
Charleston, S. C. Aux. Ed.		suspenders, 1 pr. mittens,	
Society	150,	30 knots thread,	
The following by J. Tyler,		2 cravats, and 1 towel;	
viz.		valued at	63,13
Miss Hannah Swinton	5,	Concord, N. H. Fem. Aux.	
Mrs. Eliza Bryan	5,	Soc. Annual payment	20,
Mrs. James Mathews	5,	Do. do.	18,
Mrs. Legare	5,	Conway, Friend, Butler's	
Miss Mary Scott	5,	Analogy and Cash	,45
Mr. John Dixon	15,	Cooperstown, N. Y. George	
Mrs. Rebecca Barksdale	5,	Pomeroy	10,
Mrs. John Gadsden	5,	Cornish, N. H. Fem. Tract	
Miss Eliza Huxham	5,	Society	4,20
Mrs. Jane Keith	5,	Congregational Church	5,
Miss Rebecca Eaton	100,	Daniel Chase, Esq.	10,
Dr. Joseph Legare, sub.		Part proceeds of Missionary	
for 1822	5,	fields	20,
Miss Scott, do.	5,	Month. Concert of prayer	4,62
Mrs. James Mathews, do.	5,	Craftsbury, Vt. Female	1,
Mrs. Sarah M'Calla do.	5,	Fem. Benev. Society, 50	
Mrs. Samuel Jones, do.	5,	yds Tow cloth.	
Mrs. Rebecca Barksdale,		Cummington, Fem. Benev.	
sub. for 1822	5,	and Reading Society,	
Mrs. Ann Gadsden, do.	5,	through the Hampshire	
Miss Huxham	5,	Christian Depository	8,29
Do. donation	5,	Danvers, Village Reading	
Mrs. Jane Keith, sub. and		Society, North Parish	6,30
donation	10,	Sabbath School Reading	
Mrs. Mary Maxwell, do.	10,	Society in do.	19,14
Mrs. E. L. Gilchrist, sub.		Three Cravats from do.	
for 1821—2	10,	Fem. Benev. Society for	
Mrs. Paul Jones, do.	10,	aiding Domestic Mis-	
Mrs. Mary L. Beach, do.	10,	sions, South Parish	30,
Miss Hannah Swinton, for		Church, South	30,
1822	5,	John Peabody	5,
Charlestown, Female Relig.		Danville, Vt. Collected in a	
Char. Soc.	32,62	Charity box	2,50
Male Rel. Char. Soc.	20,	Dennis, Monthly Concert of	
N. H. Reading Soc. being		prayer, N. Parish	21,16
an annual subscrip. for		Douglass, Dea. Jos. Thayer	10,
Rev. J. Crosby	10,	Dracut, Fem. Cent Soc. in	
Chelsea, Conn. Mo. Concert		the First Parish, 2 shirts	
for prayer	50,51	and a hkf.	
Monthly Concert	35,	Dublin, N. H. Stephen J.	
Chilmark, Beneficent Soc.	3,44	Woods, proceeds of	
Columbus, N. Y. Fem. Be-		work done on Election	
nev. Society, 10 Cotton		day	1,
quilts, 11½ yds. Flan-		Dunbarton, N. H. Ed. Soc.	18,
		Jonathan Ireland, pro-	

ceeds of a piece of land	4,50	Female Friend	5,
<i>Dunstable, N. H.</i> Concert of		Fem. Benev. Soc. 6 shirts,	
prayer	6,40	9 pr. socks, and cash	50,
Do. do.	9,03	Aged widow, 2 shirts, 2	
<i>Essex Co.</i> Auxil. Ed. Soc.		cravats, 1 hkf. 1 pr.	
Marblehead branch	60,	hose, and cash	20,
Do. do.	30,13	<i>Goshen, Miss Electa May,</i>	
From Fem. Ed. Soc. in		her 3d instalment	100,
Topsfield	21,87	<i>Grafton, N. H. Charitable</i>	
Monthly Concert in do.	10,	Soc.	6,
Contrib. East Parish in		<i>Greenfield, N. H. Reading</i>	
Bradford	8,20	Soc.	3,54
Subr's Fem. Ed. Soc. New-		<i>Griswold, Conn. Fem. Cent</i>	
buryport	20,	Soc.	25,
Fem. Cooperation Soc.		<i>Groton, Aux. Ed. Soc.</i>	20,
Byfield	21,50	A Lady, 2 pr. socks.	
<i>Essex, Mary Cogswell</i>	3,55	Aux. Ed. Soc.	3,
<i>Falmouth, Fem. Aux. Ed.</i>		<i>Hampden Co. Aux. Ed. Soc.</i>	23,
Soc.	27,08	<i>Hardwick, Lady, 2 shirts &</i>	
Female Friend, 1 Bed quilt.		1 pr. socks.	
Do. of a well edu-		Young Lady	3,
cated ministry	11,	<i>Hartford, Conn. Eliphalet</i>	
Female, Saving from the		Terrey	10,
richness and ornaments		Friend	10,
of a weding cake	1,00	<i>Haverhill, Contribution</i>	10,
<i>Fitzwilliam, N. H. Female</i>		Misses Lydia and Abigail	
Mite Society	11,	Marsh	8,
Aaron Townsend	1,50	<i>Henniker, N. H. Aux. Ed.</i>	
Hezekiah Stone	1,	Soc. 6 shirts, 3 cravats,	
Mrs. S. Richardson, from		1 vest, 9 pr. socks, 1	
Charity box	2,50	pr. bed blankets, 2 pr.	
<i>Framingham, Mrs. Rebecca</i>		pillow cases, and cash	12,
Eaton, 6 pr. socks.		Church	6,38
A Mechanic	2,	Friend	1,60
<i>Francesstown, N. H. Two</i>		<i>Hillsborough, N. H. Char.</i>	
Females	4,25	and Bible Society	20,20
Surplus Fund	4,25	Do. do.	37,20
<i>Franklin, Conn. Fem. For.</i>		<i>Hinsdale, John Adams, pro-</i>	
Miss. Soc. and a few		ceeds of Mission. Field	3,22
individuals	13,	Simon Huntington	1,
Friend	1,	<i>Holden, Fem. Ed. Soc. 1</i>	
Do.	2,	vest, 1 shirt, and cash	26,32
Do. Seven waterproof bats.		<i>Hollister Fem. Char. Soc.</i>	15,
Do. Three woollen vests.		<i>Hubbardston, Deac. Otis</i>	
Do. by Hon. N. Hooper	20,	Parker, 3 pr. socks and	
Do.	2,	cash, proceeds of Miss.	
Do. a Mechanic	2,	flock and field	4,
Do. to Zion, 5 vests.		In a letter, Y. Z.	3,
Do. by Dr. Bradshaw	25,	Do. from Lunenburg	3,
Do. by Hon. N. Hooper	20,	Do. to the Treasurer	5,
Do. A. J. by N. Willis	10,	<i>Jaffrey, N. H. Mrs. Edith</i>	
Do.	,50	Parker, 2 shirts, & cash	2,
<i>Gloucester, Friend</i>	20,	Friend of Benevolence, in	
Aged widow, 6 pr. socks,		West Parish	3,
2 shirts and 2 cravats.		Edward Spaulding, Do.	2,
Monthly Concert for prayer,		<i>Keene, N. H. Aux. Ed. Soc.</i>	29,18
First Parish	37,91	Do. do.	25,

<i>Killingly, Conn.</i> Mr. Fisher	2,85	of ground, cultivated by	
<i>Lempster, N. H.</i> Deac. Aaron Hardy	5,	two Beneficiaries	2,62
Deac. John Taylor	1,18	1st Presbyterian Church	100,
<i>Leominster, Fem. Aux. Ed. Soc.</i>	16,	Mrs. Adams	5,
and 1 coat, 5 vests, 5 shirts, 2 cravats, and 11 pr. socks.		Mrs. Coombs	5,
Proceeds of 3 Miss. fields, from friends to missions	7,	Young Men's Aux. Educ. Society	50,
Aux. Ed. Soc. 17 pr. socks, 3 vests, 2 cravats, and cash	7,67	Collection in Rev. Mr. Giles' Church	9,14
William Perry	1,	Collection in Rev. Mr. Dimmick's	31,42
<i>Maine, Friend, by J. H. Parker</i>	20,	<i>Newhampshire, Two Ladies, 2 pr. Socks, and Cash</i>	3,
<i>Marblehead, Cent Society</i>	8,	Aged Widow, 8 pr. Socks	
<i>Marlborough, N. H. Appropriation Society</i>	13,79	<i>New Ipswich, N. H. Individuals</i>	15,
<i>Marshfield, Azel Ames</i>	2,	Female Char. Society ;	
<i>Massachusetts, A.</i>	20,	1 Woollen Bed Quilt, 1 Blanket, 3 Calico Bed Quilts, 1 pr. Cotton Shirts, 3 pr. Pillow cases, 2 pr. Pillows, 1 Sheet, 1 Waistcoat, 2 flannel Waistcoats, 2 pr. Pantaloon, 7 shirts, 14 pr. Footings, 1 pr. Gloves, 1 Hdkf. and 3 pr. suspenders, valued at	50,
<i>Medford, Monthly Concert for prayer</i>	10,75	<i>Newport, R. I. J. W. Vinton</i>	,50
Female Cent Society	2,60	<i>New York, Paul Roberts</i>	,50
<i>Mendon, N. Y. Young man</i>	2,	Dr. Elias Cornelius	100,
<i>Meredith, N. H. 3d Div. Fem. Reading and Charit. Soc.</i>	7,50	F. How	10,
<i>Middlesex Co. Aux. Ed. Soc.</i>	79,13	Arthur Tappan	50,
Do. Do.	35,	Mrs. Huntington	1,
Do. Do.	43,71	<i>Norfolk Co. Fe. Cent. Soc. Aux. Edu. Soc.</i>	17,21
<i>Munroe, Conn. Hepsey Hawley</i>	8,	Do. Do. Do.	300,
<i>Nantucket, Female, 3 pr. woolen Socks and 2 Cravats.</i>		<i>Norfolk, Conn. Joseph Battelle</i>	172,
<i>Needham, West Parish, Fem. Char. Soc. 2 pr. Socks, and Cash</i>	7,84		5,
<i>Nelson, Charity box Friend</i>	2,30	<i>Norfolk, Va. Ladies of the Presbyterian Church, Surplus fund</i>	4,
<i>Newbury, Mass. Collected in the Rev. E. Demmond's Parish, West Newbury, on Thanksgiving Day</i>	12,	<i>Northampton, Friend, Praying circle, through the Hampshire Chr. Dep.</i>	5,
Two individuals	1,70	A few individuals through Do.	40,
Enoch Thurlow	3,	<i>North Brookfield, Fem. Friend proceeds of Miss. field</i>	1,
<i>Newburyport, Young Men's Aux. Ed. Soc.</i>	32,15	<i>Northwood, N. H. Fem. Ch. Soc. in Rev. Josiah Prentiss' Soc. Articles of Clothing, value</i>	32,38
Second semiannual payment of the associated circle of industry	25,	<i>Orleans, Benjamin Seahury</i>	1,
Do. 3d Semian. payment	25,	<i>Otis, Church</i>	6,
Do. and Vicinity Fem. Ed. Society	50,	<i>Oxford, Nancy Meriam, 1 pr. Shirts,</i>	
Gleaning Circle	8,		
Proceeds of a small piece			

Proceeds of Miss. Field	1,67	<i>Sault St. Mary's</i> , Lieut. Wal-	
<i>Peterborough</i> , N. H. Ladies'		ter Bicker	3,00
Char. Soc.	22,50	<i>Savannah</i> , Geo. Second Ann.	
<i>Phillipston</i> , Fem. Char. Soc.		Subscription of two per-	
12 pr. Footings, 1 pr.		sons	10,
Pillow cases, 1 Shirt,		<i>Sekonk</i> , Young Ladies Read.	
2 Vests, and Cash	5,21	and Char. Society	6,
<i>Pittsfield</i> , Semiannual Con-		<i>Sheffield</i> , Sundry annual Sub-	
tribution of the Church	39,	scribers	15,87
<i>Plainfield</i> , N. H. Timothy		<i>Shelburne</i> , Aux. Ed. Soc.	24,
W. Hall, proceeds of		<i>Shrewsbury</i> , Con. of Prayer	9,
ground	6,	Friend	2,
<i>Pleasant Valley</i> , N. York,		Simon C. Baldwin	2,
Friend	5,	<i>Spencer</i> , Female Literary	
<i>Port Gibson</i> , Miss. Wm.		and Char. Soc., Box of	
B. Noyes	5,	clothing valued at	42,50
<i>Portland</i> , Me. Richard Cobb		<i>Springfield</i> , Joseph Miller	25,
Esq.	100,	<i>Stanstead</i> , Lower Canada,	
Do. Do.	100,	Ladies Char. Soc.	6,
Proceeds of a Potatoe field	2,	Monthly Concert	14,25
<i>Princeton</i> , N. J. In a letter		<i>Stockbridge</i> , Individuals 32	
to the Treasurer	3,	lb. Yarn.	
Friend by H. Hill	5,	<i>Sturbridge</i> , Fem. Char. Soc.	
<i>Putney</i> , Vt. John Noyes	10,	and others, a box of	
Month. Con. for prayer in		Clothing, and Cash	4,
Rev E.P. Andrew's Soc.	6,	<i>Sutton</i> , Young Men's Aux.	
Church	9,	Educ. Soc.	6,50
Juvenile Female Society	10,	Female Cent Society	18,08
<i>Reading</i> , South Parish Fem.		Aged Female, by N. Willis	,50
Cent Soc.	34,36	<i>Talmadge</i> , Ohio, Martin	
<i>Richmond</i> , Rev. E.W. Dwight		Camp	,50
proceeds of a missionary		<i>Taunton</i> , Charity box kept	
Flock	20,	by the Misses Seabury	2,
Fem. Ed. Soc. 66 runs of		<i>Templeton</i> , Fem. Cent. Soc.	20,11
yarn & 2 pr. Socks.		Madam Naomi Sparhawk	5,
<i>Rowley</i> , Individuals	10,50	<i>Topsfield</i> , A few Ladies' 9	
Rev. Willard Holbrook's		Shirts.	
Parish	2,23	Friend	1,
<i>Roxbury</i> , N. H. Individuals	2,	Collection	25,75
<i>Royalston</i> , proceeds of a		Miss Bartlett's School	,38
small missionary field	1,83	<i>Townsend</i> , Female, a thank	
Mechanic	5,	offering	2,
<i>Salem</i> , Fem. Juvenile Soc.	2,70	Benevolent Soc.	25,
John Lawrence and a few		<i>Townshend</i> , Vt. Ladies Char.	
friends	10,	Soc. 13 yds. Cloth, 5	
Friend, by N. Willis	15,	pr. footings, and C sh	10,50
Female Education Soc.	60,11	<i>Truro</i> , Long Soc.	5,50
Mrs. Savage	2,	<i>Upton</i> , Fem. Read. Soc. 4	
Collection	25,	Hdkfs. 11 pr. Stockings	
Contributed by Rev. B.		and 4 Shirts.	
Emerson's Church	25,	<i>Uxbridge</i> , Fem. Pray. Soc.	
<i>Sandwich</i> , Benev. Reading		collected in a Char. box	6,66
Soc. 4 Shirts, 4 Hdkfs,		Small Soc. Young Ladies,	
2 pr. Socks, and one		proceeds of work	11,
Bed Quilt.		<i>Vermont</i> , Friend to Missions	3,
Fem. Education Soc.	25,	<i>Waldoborough</i> , Me. A Mar-	
		riage Fee	1,

<i>Walpole</i> , N. H. Concert for prayer	13,77	Benev. Soc. 1 pr. Stockings, 4 pr. Socks and 1 Vest.	
<i>Ward</i> , Dea. John Rice	4,	<i>Westminster</i> , Friend	1,
<i>Ware</i> , Washington Benevolent Soc.	43,	Female Cooperation Soc.	22,17
<i>Wareham</i> , A mother's thank offering	5,	<i>West Newbury</i> , Fem. Ed. Soc. 2d Parish, 7th annual payment for 1822	13,
<i>Warner</i> , N. H. Rev. Mr. Woods	1,30	<i>Wilton</i> , N.H. Fem. Ed. Soc.	34,
Charity box	3,01	<i>Windsor</i> , Aux. Ed. Soc.	24,80
<i>Warwick</i> , Dea. Ebenezer Pierce and his three sons	6,	<i>Windsor</i> , Vt. Gen. Abner Forbes	50,
Friend	2,	<i>Worcester</i> , Fem. Ed. Soc. Aux. to Am. Ed. Soc. a bundle of clothing, and Cash	20,
<i>Waterford</i> , Me. A Charity box kept by Mrs. Ripley	2,21	<i>Worthington</i> , Hon. Ezra Starkweather	5,
Lady 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ yds. Flannel & 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ yds. Cassimere	20,	Fem. Char. Soc.	22,
<i>Wellfleet</i> , Benevolent Society	20,	<i>Wrentham</i> , Robert Blake	20,50
<i>Wenham</i> , Concert of prayer	3,80	North Parish, Charity box kept by Rev. Mr. Harlow	,39
<i>West Boylston</i> , Ladies, a bundle of Clothing.		<i>Young Miss</i> , for having learnt the 119th Psalm	,25
<i>Westford</i> , N. Y. Ben. Soc. for promoting Christ. knowledge	12,		

NOTES.

NOTE A.

A file of the Boston Recorder, from January 1822, to Sept. 1823, was examined for the purpose of comparing the number of deaths, among Clergymen, with the number of ordinations and installations; and also to ascertain, as accurately as possible, the mean period of the lives of clergymen. By this examination, it appears, that the whole number of deaths, among clergymen, recorded within the time specified, was *sixty two*, and the number of ordinations and installations *sixty two*; from which an argument is derived for increased exertion to educate pious young men for the ministry, if we would do more than supply the places made vacant by death. It also appears, from the age to which those clergymen lived, whose deaths are recorded, in the time specified, that the mean period of the lives of clergymen is *sixty two* years, from which another argument is derived in favour of Education Societies; since there is good reason to believe, that those educated will live to be useful many years.

NOTE B.

Samuel Walcut was a native of Danvers, Mass.; and at the time of his death, a student in Phillips Academy; and a member of the church, in the Theological Seminary, in Andover. He died of typhus fever, after a sickness of 10 days, aged 22 years. He was an amiable youth, much beloved by his Instructors and companions. One of his class mates, there is reason to hope, was led to repentance, in consequence of seeing him, in the agonies of death; and the address, which was made to the school, over the corpse, in the Chapel of the Theological Seminary, was the means of leading many of the students, in the Academy, to serious reflection, and of turning some of them, it is believed, to righteousness. It is worthy of remark, that this is the third or fourth instance, within a few years, in which the death of a student, in a literary Institution, has been the means of promoting a revival of religion. This was true, in the last revivals of religion, in Union and Dickinson Colleges. In all these cases, the students were assembled around the corpses, and affectionately urged by their Instructors, to prepare for death. The funeral solemnities of Walcut were made a blessing, not only to his fellow students, but to the youth in his native place. The

corpse was attended by his classmates, from Andover, to Danvers, where it was buried; and this melancholy event was the first step, in a revival of religion, among the companions of his childhood.

NOTE C.

The embarrassments of the Beneficiaries have been such, in numerous instances, as to lead the most liberal friends, of the Society to feel, that the quarterly appropriations were too small. This circumstance induced the Directors to write to the Presidents of Colleges, and the Instructors of Academies, where the young men are placed, to ascertain *their* opinion, on this subject. Their opinion was *one*; viz. that the present rate of appropriation is the best. At least, no one expressed an opinion that it should be raised. And the reason assigned, why it should remain as it is, was this; that character formed under such circumstances of trial is likely to be valuable.

NOTE D.

This table exhibits the receipts of each month in

	1819	1820	1821	1822 and	1823
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January	\$2234	835	743	1885	1765
February	2051	362	332	802	314
March	2047	362	1220	710	340
April	1219	341	1136	952	627
May	1485	697	2174	1194	1244
June	2587	1195		2788	648
July	520	775		904	643
August	693	247	539	529	604
September	1035	381		677	954
October	1018	739	902	940	
November	659	190	464	327	
December	221	740	2392	1250	
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	\$15783	\$6864	\$9902	\$12958	\$7139

N. B. The seven months spoken of in the Report are the months from January to July inclusive.

## NOTE E.

*This table exhibits the Synods, Presbyteries, Ministers, Congregations, and the excess of Congregations above the number of Ministers, in the Presbyterian Church, in 1819. This information can be obtained only once, in five years.*

<i>Synods.</i>	<i>Presbyteries.</i>	<i>No. Min.</i>	<i>No. Con.</i>	<i>Ex. Con.</i>
Geneva	Niagara	10	32	22
	Ontario	20	23	3
	Bath	6	11	5
	Geneva	17	22	5
	Cayuga	19	28	9
	Onondaga	21	29	8=52
Albany	Albany	16	22	6
	Columbia	13	23	10
	Oneida	25	25	0
	Londonderry	13	13	—5
	Champlain	10	13	3
	St. Lawrence	12	4	—8=6
New York and New Jersey	Long Island	16	16	0
	Hudson	22	39	17
	New York	13	22	9
	Jersey	32	29	1
	New Brunswick	16	16	0
	Newton	14	25	11=38
Philadelphia	Philadelphia	26	37	11
	New Castle	27	51	24
	Baltimore	16	12	—4
	Carlisle	19	36	17
	Huntingdon	12	29	17
	Northumberland	7	15	8=77
Pittsburg	Redstone	19	23	4
	Ohio	28	48	20
	Erie	12	46	34
	Hartford	9	25	16
	Grand River	6	16	10
	Portage	7	20	13=97
Virginia	Hanover	15	26	11
	Lexington	16	30	14
	Winchester	13	15	2
	Abington	7	10	3=30

<i>Synods.</i>	<i>Presbyteries.</i>	<i>No. Con.</i>	<i>No. Min.</i>	<i>Ex. Con.</i>
Kentucky	Transylvania	9	17	8
	West Lexington	12	27	15
	Muhlenburg			
	Louisville			=2
Ohio	Washington	9	26	17
	Lancaster	15	34	19
	Miami	14	35	21
	Richland	7	22	15=7
Tennessee	Union	9	16	7
	West Tennessee	6	16	10
	Shiloh			
	Mississippi			
	Missouri			=1
N. Carolina	Orange	10	22	12
	Fayetteville	11	32	21
	Concord	16	68	52=8
S. C. & Ga.	Harmony	19	28	9
	South Carolina	15	30	15
	Hopewell			=2
				52

N. B. It will be perceived, that the excess of congregations above the number of Ministers, as exhibited in the tables of the Presbyterian and Baptist Denominations, is greater than the number of destitute churches, as stated in the Report: the reason of the difference is this; in some instances one clergyman supplies two congregations.

#### NOTE F.

This table is made from the Eighth Annual Report of the Board of Managers of the General Convention of the Baptist Denomination, in the United States. It exhibits the *number of Associations, Churches, Ministers, and the excess of Churches above the number of Ministers, in each State.*

<i>States.</i>	<i>Assoc.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Min.</i>	<i>Ex. of ch.</i>
Maine	5	174	127	47
New Hampshire	3	46	36	10
Vermont	7	125	93	32
Massachusetts	5	111	102	9
Rhode Island	2	55	39	16

<i>States.</i>	<i>Assoc.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Minist.</i>	<i>Ex. of chhs.</i>
Connecticut	3	61	60	1
New York	21	450	338	112
New Jersey	1	26	23	3
Pennsylvania	7	73	74	—1
Delaware	1	7	6	1
Maryland	2	34	20	14
District Columbia	1	16	9	7
Virginia	19	253	109	149
North Carolina	12	196	104	92
South Carolina	7	181	94	87
Georgia	7	201	101	100
Alabama	4	78	69	9
Tennessee	8	189	123	66
Mississippi	3	55	36	19
Louisiana	1	6	0	6
Missouri	3	13	6	7
Illinois	3	25	24	1
Indiana	7	123	71	52
Kentucky	22	398	116	282
Ohio	15	202	103	99
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## NOTE G.

*Protestant Episcopal Church, in the United States.*

<i>States.</i>	<i>Con.</i>	<i>Min.</i>	<i>{ Excess of Con. above the number of Min.</i>
Maine		2	
New Hampshire		4	
Massachusetts	23	20	3
Vermont		7	
Rhode Island		7	
Connecticut		47	
New York	127	93	34
New Jersey	28	14	14
Pennsylvania	44	37	7
Delaware	14	3	11
Maryland		45	
Virginia		34	
North Carolina	25	28	3
Ohio		8	
Georgia	4	4	
South Carolina	34	35	

N. B. This table of the Episcopal church was made from the



minutes of the late Convention of that body, in Philadelphia. The statement, in the body of the Report was made from Swords' Pocket Almanack and the Philadelphia Recorder.

## NOTE H.

## MAINE.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>No. Towns.</i>	<i>Des. T.</i>	<i>Counties.</i>	<i>No. T.</i>	<i>Des. T.</i>
Cumberland	24	7	York	22	8
Lincoln	33	20	Oxford	28	22
Kennebeck	33	28	Hancock	21	12
Washington	10	7	Somerset	26	24
Penobscot	20	18			

There are 2 Episcopal, 2 Presbyterian, 78 Congregational, and 7 educated Baptist Ministers, in the State, and 228,705 inhabitants. Allowing 1 Minister to 1000 souls, 131,000 destitute.

## NOTE I.

## VERMONT.

The following table exhibits the counties, towns, and destitute towns in Vermont, on the authority of the Vermont Register for 1821.

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>T.</i>	<i>Des. T.</i>	<i>Counties.</i>	<i>T.</i>	<i>Des. T.</i>
Bennington	15	7	Windham	24	4
Rutland	26	7	Windsor	23	5
Addison	23	8	Orange	18	4
Chittenden	16	5	Washington	14	3
Caledonia	17	5	Franklin	13	9
Orleans	22	17	Essex	9	7
Grand Isle	5				

13 Counties, 230 Towns, 81 destitute.

*Eighty one towns* have no minister of any denomination. *One hundred thirty nine towns*, have no Presbyterian, Epis. or Congregational Minister. In 1813 there were 89 Congregational Ministers in this state. In 1821, 83. A diminution of six in seven years. At the same time the population has increased many thousands. In 1813, it was estimated that 136,000 inhabitants were destitute of the ordinances of the Gospel. Probably the case is worse now.

## NOTE J.

## VIRGINIA.

By divisions, 20 counties each.	<i>Epis.</i> <i>Min.</i>	<i>Pres.</i> <i>Min.</i>	<i>Pop.</i>	<i>Min.</i> <i>wanted.</i>
1st Division	5	19	259,295	226
2d Division	5	10	93,491	187
3d Division	6	9	167,554	143
4th Division	3	8	146,165	122
5th Division	4	14	160,102	136
2 Cos. Norfolk, Peters- burg, Richmond and Williamsburgh	5	5	44,242	31
The State	28	63	970,854	845

This table exhibits the number of counties in Virginia by Divisions, each Division containing twenty counties taken in alphabetical order. It exhibits also the number of Episcopal and Presbyterian ministers, and the number of inhabitants, and the number of ministers wanted. It is a document, which was obtained with great care and labour, in the winter of 1820, from gentlemen in civil office, from almost every county in the State.

In Connecticut there are more than 300 ministers of all denominations and 261,942 inhabitants.—In Virginia there are 363 ministers of all denominations, and 970,854 inhabitants.

## NOTE K.

## UNITED STATES.

In 1810, the population of the United States was 7,239,903. By the recent official report of the secretary of the Treasury, it appears that our population progresses 34 per cent in ten years. Proceeding on this basis for the next 200 years, we shall find the following results.

In 1820.....9,827,265.	In 1890....76,000,399.
1830....13,168,534.	1900...101,840,534.
1840....17,645,684.	1910...134,000,000.
1850....23,644,433.	1920...177,000,000.
1860....31,584,633.	1930...233,000,000.
1870....42,325,908.	1940...306,000,000.
1880....56,716,716.	1950...401,000,000.

Q. At the present rate of increase, how many ministers will be in the U. States, 50 years hence?

A. In the last 70 years, the number is a little more than doubled. If we admit that the number will double in the next 50 years, then the number will not exceed 6000, not as many as are wanted this year, and 39,000 less than will be wanted in 1870.

## NOTE L.

The Proprietor of the Boston Recorder has published, in more than twenty numbers, important articles in favour of the Society; besides acknowledging, monthly, in detail, the receipts of the Treasurer; the Christian Repertory, published in Delaware; the Religious Remembrancer, published, in Philadelphia; the Columbian Starr and Latter Day Luminary, published in Washington City, under the direction of the Baptist Denomination; the Family Visitor, published, in Richmond, Vir., the Missionary, published, at Mt. Zion Ga., the Literary Register, published, in Kentucky, have all done much to promote the designs of the American Education Society, and have all been furnished, gratuitously, to the Agent, to be kept, on file, for its benefit. In this way, it is easily ascertained, what the character of intelligence must be, to find a place, in the columns of these papers; and what plans are adopted, in any of the states, to promote the great object of educating pious young men for the Ministry, which have not been adopted by the friends of the American Education Society, and what plans which have been, adopted by us may be recommended for the consideration of other Societies. If the limits of the Appendix permitted, a table of contents should be exhibited, shewing the character of all the articles published, in the papers, above mentioned, by which it would more distinctly appear, that there is a mutual, and reciprocal, and very pleasant action, of the society upon the papers, and of the papers upon the Society. By which it would be seen, how great advantages are given to the church, for the accomplishment of the great purposes of benevolence, through the medium of Religious News Papers.

## NOTE M.

The following are some of the Documents of the last year. A sermon, before the North-Western Branch of the American Education Society, Feb. 26th, 1823. By the Rev. Daniel C. Morton.—A sermon before the young Men's Education Society, in Boston, Feb. 12th, 1823, by the Rev. Justin Edwards.—An Address before the young Men's Education Society in Newburyport, Sept. 1822. By Rev. Samuel P. Williams.—A sermon before the Education Society of Charleston, S. C. by Rev. Artemas Boies.

Several sermons preached the last year, on similar occasions, were not published.—A sermon before the Maine Branch by Rev. William Allen.—Sermons before the Essex, Middlesex, and Norfolk County Education Societies, by Rev. Rrown Emerson, Rev. Reuben Emerson, and Rev. Richard S. Storrs. It cannot

e, but that these sermons, published and extensively circulated could greatly promote the object.

The fullest and most satisfactory Reports are those of the Northwestern Branch; of the Middlesex County; and of the Young Men's Society in Boston. The first is a complete document, containing the sermon; the Report of the Directors; the Report of the Treasurer; the names of the Officers; the Constitution; the towns and persons contributing; and the sums contributed by each; and the persons by whom collected; the form of a bequest; the time and place of the annual meeting &c. &c. Some of the Reports have no date; others have not the names of the officers; others are short articles prepared for a weekly paper; few are so complete as that of the Northwestern Branch. It cannot be expected, that Societies, which do not give form and importance to their documents, will be powerful or permanent, in their operations.

#### NOTE N.

##### *Brief view of the Education Societies, in the United States.*

The Maine Branch of the American Education Society was formed, in 1818. It has assisted 13 Beneficiaries; of whom 7 were received the last year. During the same time, its receipts amounted to \$1105; of which \$538 remained in the Treasury.

The society for Theological Education, in Maine, was formed in 1811. It assists students at Bangor.

The Union Education Society, which assists students, at Dartmouth College; and embraces the towns, in Vt. and N. H. in the vicinity of the College, was formed, in 1820. It has assisted 14 Beneficiaries; and received the last year \$689.

The Northwestern Branch of the American Education Society, which assists students, principally, at Middlebury College, though it is not thus confined, embraces the towns, on the west side of the mountains, in Vt. and in the adjoining Counties of N. Y. It was formed, in 1820; and has assisted 42 students; of whom 5 were received, the last year. Its receipts, the first year, were \$1367; the second, \$598; the third and last, \$950. The number of towns, which contributed to its funds, the 2d year, was twenty seven; the 3d year, fifty three.

The Benevolent Education Society which is confined to the Counties of Plymouth, Bristol, and Barnstable, Mass. was formed in 1813; and has assisted 14 Beneficiaries, by loaning money without interest.

A Society, on a similar plan, was formed, about the same time, in Vt.; 14 or 1500 dollars were obtained for it, principally, in Boston, by the Rev. Mr. Jackson of Dorset, Vt. Several of the young men, who were assisted by these Societies, which were



among the earliest Education Societies, are now useful ministers.

The Mass. Baptist Education Society, was formed, in 1814 and has assisted 15 Beneficiaries. Its receipts the last year amounted to \$2332; the representation of its last report, was that a greater number of Beneficiaries could be supported.

There is, in Boston, among the young men of the Baptist Denomination, an Education Society.

The Young Men's Education Society in Boston, Auxiliary to the American Education Society, was formed in 1819; and contributed, the first year, \$500; the second, \$500; the third \$714; the fourth, \$1000. Several valuable sermons have been preached, before this Society, and published; and its increasing success may be attributed, in part, at least, to the fact, that its sermons, and addresses, and Reports have been published.

The Female Auxiliary Education Society in Boston was also formed in 1819, and contributed, the first year, \$753; the second, \$242; the third, \$144; the fourth, \$145; the fifth, \$183.

The Norfolk County Auxiliary Education Society was formed in 1817; and the receipts of the seven successive years, have been as follows: \$787, \$816, \$1350, \$748, \$993, \$1700, \$472.

The Essex County Auxiliary Education Society was formed in 1817; and the payments have been annually as follows: \$300, \$300, \$290, \$110, \$328, \$220, \$374.

The Middlesex County Auxiliary Education Society was formed in 1819; and the payments have been, annually, as follows \$200, \$159, \$167, \$237, \$157.

The Berkshire County Auxiliary Education Society was formed in 1819; and the payments have been, annually, as follows \$483, \$134, \$222, \$337, \$324.

The Hamden County Auxiliary Education Society was formed in 1820; and the payments have been, in 1820, \$138; in 1821 \$64; in 1823, \$28.

There are several Fe. Aux. Ed. Soc's in Mass. besides the Corban Society, which have been in existence many years, viz in Salem, Marblehead, Beverly, Newburyport and Vicinity.

The whole amount of contributions to this object, in Massachusetts, by all the Education Societies, since the American Education Society was formed, exceeds \$45,000. The whole amount of contributions in Boston exceeds \$15,000.

The Connecticut Education Society has assisted the American Education Society in Supporting more than forty Beneficiaries in Yale College. Its funds are represented as in a very languishing state.

The Presbyterian Education Society was formed in 1818, and received into its general treasury the last year, \$1147. It has connected with it, in 1822, twenty Executive Committees, and



auxiliary Societies. The Western Education Society has become Auxiliary to the Pres. Education Society during the last year. The several Auxiliaries pay only their surplus funds, to the Treasury of the Pres. Education Society. This is the reason, why the receipts into the General Treasury are not larger. Without this explanation, it might seem impossible that one hundred and two Beneficiaries could be supported by a Society, whose annual receipts, are only \$1147.

The Philadelphia Education Society was formed in 1818 ; and has expended \$7936. Its receipts have exceeded its expenditures \$425. It is Auxiliary to the Board of Education, in the General Assembly ; and has connected with it 13 Auxiliary Societies, besides churches, which regularly contribute to its funds.

The Board of Education, in the Presbyterian Church, is distinct from the Presbyterian Education Society, and received last year for the purpose of educating pious young men for the Ministry \$5700.

The Ed. Society of Pittsburg is Auxiliary to this Board ; and contributed last year \$1192.

The Virginia, North Carolina and Georgia Education Societies, have been so recently formed, that no important information has been received, concerning their receipts and expenditures, and number of Beneficiaries.

The South Carolina Auxiliary Education Society was formed 1819 ; and paid into the Treasury of the American Education Society in 1819, \$100 ; in 1820, \$300 ; in 1821, \$200 ; in 1823, \$405.

The Female Auxiliary Education Society in Liberty County, Georgia, was formed, in 1819 ; and paid \$186, the first year ; \$200, the 2d ; \$200, the 3d, and \$163, the 4th.

The Mount Zion, Ga. Auxiliary Education Society was formed, in 1821 ; and has made two annual payments , one of \$158 ; the other of \$75.

The American Education Society was formed in 1815 ; and received, the first year, \$5,000 ; the 2d 7,000 ; the 3d \$6,000 ; the 4th \$1900 ; the 5th \$9,000 ; the 6th \$13,000 ; the 7th \$17,000 ; the 8th and last, \$16,962 : making the total amount of receipts, more than \$92,000.

As the American Education Society was among the earliest, in its formation ; and has now become so extensive, in its operations and influence, it will not be uninteresting, to the friends of the Society to see the germ, from which it sprung. The following is a true copy, of the first and original document, in relation to its proceedings.

Boston, June 29, 1815.

*We the subscribers, do agree, to meet, at J. B. Winn's, on Monday evening next, (July 3d) to take into consideration the expedi-*

*ency of forming ourselves into an association, for the purpose of raising funds, to educate pious young men for the ministry.*

It is signed by eight young men.

#### NOTE O.

Connected with the Sabbath School Union, in Philadelphia are thirty seven thousand children ; with Sabbath schools, in New York, about eight thousand ; with all the Sabbath schools in the United States, more than one hundred thousand. During the last year, eighteen teachers, and sixty-six scholars connected with one Sabbath school in New York, became hopefully pious ; and, during the seven years, since the society was formed *four hundred and eighteen teachers and scholars.* In another Society twenty one teachers are preparing for the Ministry.

#### NOTE P.

##### *Efforts of Beneficiaries to help themselves.*

During the last year, thirteen Beneficiaries at Middlebury College, received three hundred and twelve dollars, for teaching school ; and fifty dollars, for labour ; Thirteen Beneficiaries at Dartmouth College, received \$714, for teaching school ; and \$24, for labour : eight Beneficiaries at Williams College, received \$236, for teaching school ; and \$59, for labour : ten Beneficiaries in Amherst Academy, received \$75, for teaching school ; and \$76 for labour : twenty six Beneficiaries in Amherst College, received \$423, for teaching school ; and \$174 for labour : Five Beneficiaries at Harvard University, received \$219, for teaching school ; \$74, for labour : twenty seven Beneficiaries at Yale College, received \$72, for teaching school ; and \$420, for labour : Five Beneficiaries at Brown University, received \$240 for teaching school ; \$3, for labour : eleven Beneficiaries at Union College, receive \$242, for teaching school ; and \$36, for labour.—*One hundred and seventeen Beneficiaries at the above Institutions, received two thousand five hundred and thirty five dollars for teaching school ; and nine hundred and sixteen dollars, for labour.*

##### *Expenses of Beneficiaries.*

*Average price paid for board at the different Colleges.*—At Middlebury, \$1,22 ; Dartmouth, 1,38 ; Williams, 1,20 ; Amherst Academy, 1,09 ; Amherst College, 1,05 ; Harvard University, 1,93 ; Yale College, 1,65 ; Brown University, 1,26 ; Union College, 1,47.

*Average price paid for tuition, per year.*—At Middlebury, \$20 ; Dartmouth, 31,93 ; Williams, 24,14 ; Amherst Academy, gratu-

us ; Amherst College, gratuitous ; Harvard University, 35,10 ; Yale College, 20,75 ; Brown University, 15,62 ; Union College, 5,97.

*Average price paid for room and washing per year.*—At Middlebury College, \$3,26 ; Dartmouth College, 11,98 ; Williams College, 8,94 ; Amherst Academy, 3,67 ; Amherst College, 6,07 ; Harvard University, 16,70 ; Yale College, 15,65 ; Brown University, 14,01 ; Union College, 20,69.

*Average price paid for clothing, per year.*—At Middlebury, 18,51 ; Dartmouth, 32,88 ; Williams, 57,72 ; Amherst Academy, 20,68 ; Amherst College, 24,42 ; Harvard University, 49,71 ; Yale College, 26,57 ; Brown University, 20,28 ; Union College, 5,87.

*Average price paid for wood and light, per year.*—At Middlebury, \$3,18 ; Dartmouth, 4,75 ; Williams, 7,54 ; Amherst Academy, 3,10 ; Amherst College, 5,03 ; Harvard, 16,06 ; Yale, 13,47 ; Brown, 9,47 ; Union, 6,71.

*Average price paid for books and stationery, per year.*—At Middlebury, \$7,40 ; Dartmouth, 12,42 ; Williams, 12,33 ; Amherst Academy, 7,65 ; Amherst College, 16,10 ; Harvard, 23,06 ; Yale, 14,99 ; Brown, 10,15 ; Union, 9,68.

*Average amount of incidental expenses, per year.*—At Middlebury, \$3,05 ; Dartmouth, 13,29 ; Williams, 10,89 ; Amherst Academy, 3,55 ; Amherst College, 13,14 ; Harvard, 24,73 ; Yale, 8,68 ; Brown, 7,56 ; Union, 28,54.

*Total average expense of each, per year.*—At Middlebury, 106,22 ; Dartmouth, 151,67 ; Williams, 161,71 ; Amherst Academy, 85,44 ; Amherst College, 112,92 ; Harvard, 251,55 ; Yale, 180,16 ; Brown, 151,03 ; Union, 200,06.

#### NOTE Q.

Since 1820, there have been Revivals of Religion in Dartmouth, Middlebury, Williams, Amherst, Brown, Yale, Union, Hamilton, Princeton, Dickinson, Jefferson, Hamden Sidney and Washington Colleges.

There have also been Revivals of Religion, within the last eighteen months, in Hampton Academy, N. H., in Phillips and Amherst Academies, Mass., in Nottingham Academy, Maryland ; and in Tabernacle Academy, at Abbeville, S. C.

## NOTE R.

*View of the Colleges in September, 1823.*

<i>Colleges.</i>	<i>No. of Students.</i>	<i>No. of pious Students.</i>	<i>Time of last Revival.</i>	<i>No. of hopeful Conv.</i>	<i>Mor. or Theol. Soc's.</i>	<i>Teach. in Sab. Sch.</i>	<i>No. of Grad. in 1823.</i>	<i>No. of Pious Grad. in 1822.</i>	<i>No. of Pious Grad. in 1823.</i>
Bowdoin, Me.	120	20	1817	few	1		31	5	6
Waterville, do.	21	11					3		3
Dartmouth, N.H.	138	63	1821	17	1	Many	34	32	21
Vermont, Un.	42	10					8	2	3
Middlebury, Vt.	87	58	1821	15	1	Many	18	15	11
Williams, Mass.	78	39	1819	3	1	Many	7	4	3
Amherst, do.	98	80	1823	27	1	Many	4	3	4
Harv. Univ. do.	302	9	1740		2	Some	39	4	4
Brown Un. R. I.	156	39	1820	25	1	Many	28	15	10
Yale Coll. Conn.	373	115	1820	40	1	Many	73	30	28
Union, N. Y.	234	66	1820	30	2	Many	67	25	17
Hamilton, N. Y.	107	45	1820	10	1	Many	34	8	18
Columbia, N. Y.	123						29		
Princeton, N. J.	127	18	1821			Many	67	25	17
Dickinson, Pa.	75	40					19		17
Jefferson, Pa.	100	23					15		
Western Univ. Pa.	15						3		3
Columbian, D. C.	62	18							
Ham. Sidney, Va.	104	24	1822	20	1	Some	14		6
N. C. Univ.	160	6							
S. C. Coll.	120								
Georgia Univ.	120	8			1		21		2
Greenville, Ten.	50								
Trans. Univ.	221	16					32		
Ohio Univ.	70								
Washington, Va.	60		1822						
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N. B. There are Religious or Benevolent Societies, in Bowdoin, Middlebury, Williams, Brown, Hamilton and Princeton.

There are Bible and Tract Societies, in Dartmouth, Yale, Union and Princeton.

There are Societies of Inquiry respecting Missions, in Dartmouth, Middlebury, Williams, Amherst and Yale Colleges; and in Vermont University.

The Sabbath Morning Concert is observed in Dartmouth, Middlebury, Williams, Amherst, Yale and Hamilton Colleges; and in Vermont and Brown Universities.

There are Classical Libraries for indigent students in Bowdoin, Dartmouth, Middlebury, Williams, Amherst, Yale, Union, Hamilton and Princeton Colleges; and in Harvard and Brown universities.

#### NOTE S.

In the different denominations of Christians, in the United States, more than *four hundred* Congregations are reported, as having been blessed with Revivals of Religion, during the last year. In the Presbyterian church, *ninety eight*; in the Congregational, *one hundred and thirty nine*; in the Baptist, *one hundred and seven*. The number of hopeful converts, in these Revivals, according to the most accurate computation, which could be made from the returns, exceeds *twenty six thousand*.



## FORM OF A BEQUEST,

FOR IMMEDIATE USE.

ITEM. I do hereby give and bequeath to the American Education Society the sum of _____ dollars, to be paid within _____ months after my decease, and to be applied to the uses and purposes of that society.



## FORM OF A BEQUEST,

FOR THE INCREASE OF THE FUND.

ITEM. I do hereby give and bequeath to the American Education Society the sum of _____ dollars to be paid within _____ months after my decease, in sacred trust, to be added to their permanent fund, and the interest or annual income to be applied to the uses and purposes of said Society.

# RULES

OF THE

## DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN EDUCATION SOCIETY.

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THE Directors of the AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR EDUCATING PIOUS YOUTH FOR THE GOSPEL MINISTRY, wishing to be governed in their proceedings, by an exact conformity to the requisitions of the constitution, and, at the same time, to avoid all needless trouble in transacting business so complex and arduous as that committed to their hands, and wishing that all concerned may know what is requisite for the *first* reception, and what for the *continuance* of any young man as a beneficiary, have adopted, and now publish, the following rules.

The first stage of education includes those, who are fitting for college; the second, those who are members of college; and the third, graduates who are pursuing theological studies. The funds do not, in the view of the Directors, at present justify appropriations to any individuals in the third stage.

### RULES.

1. On the day designated in the 8th rule, every candidate for the charity of this Society, in whatever stage of his education, shall, unless otherwise specially directed, be examined at Boston, by a committee of the Board, as to the evidences of his personal piety and his motives in wishing to engage in the ministry, as well as his talents and literary attainments. At the same time he must exhibit unequivocal testimonials, from three or more serious and respectable persons, best acquainted with him and his circumstances, (e. g. his minister, instructor, a magistrate, or some other principal man in the vicinity,) stating his age, place of residence, indigence, moral and religious character, talents, learning, and serious desire to devote his life to the gospel min-

istry. If his examination and testimonials are satisfactory, he may be placed on the foundation for such assistance as the Directors shall judge expedient, and upon trial for three months at the close of which period, he shall exhibit, from his instructor or instructors, sufficient evidence, that in point of genius, diligence, literary progress, morals, and piety, he is a proper character to receive this sacred charity.

Provided however, that, except in extraordinary cases, no candidate shall be thus received, who is not fifteen years of age and who has not studied the languages, under an instructor, at least three months.

But if any candidate lives *more than a hundred miles* from Boston, he may apply to such examining committee, herein after named, as may be most convenient to himself, presenting to them the same testimonials, and submitting to the same examination as above required of those examined by this Board. And the certificate of said committee, stating that he has exhibited such testimonials, and has been thus examined; describing also his age, place of residence, his indigence, moral and religious character, place of study, talents, stage of his advance in study, and serious desire to devote his life to the gospel ministry, shall supersede an examination by the Directors, and shall receive due consideration by the Board, in determining the claims of the candidate to charity.

Provided that whenever this Board or their Examining Committees, do not see fit to reject a candidate, on Examination; but yet are in doubt respecting his qualifications; such candidate shall be re-examined, after a proper interval, once or more, as the case may require. And the Board wish it always to be remembered by their Examining Committees, that the object of the Society requires unremitted circumspection and fidelity, in regard to the admission of candidates.

2. In regard to those who have been admitted, and who wish to be continued as beneficiaries, the following principles and rules are to be observed. As the interest of the institution forbids that any individual should receive more aid than is absolutely necessary, to the prosecution of his studies; each beneficiary

will be expected to submit to sacrifices and self denial, and to derive, from his friends, and his personal efforts, as much assistance as possible. When any one wishes for further assistance from the funds of the Society, he must make application to the Directors by letter, (post paid) addressed to the Clerk of the Board,* in which letter he will present a distinct view of his circumstances, mentioning any assistance which he may have obtained from friends or may have reason to expect. In preparing such communications, the Board require each beneficiary to state the number of weeks he shall have pursued his studies, in each quarter; to make up his accounts, not according to academical terms, but from one meeting of the Directors to another; and to give a statement of his receipts and expenditures, during each period in the form of a regular account current. And, to secure greater pertinence, precision, and brevity, in the preparation of such papers; each beneficiary will be expected to obtain the signature of his principal instructor, substantiating his communication to the Board, and briefly certifying that said instructor has examined and approved the statement it contains, and that the candidate continues to sustain, in all respects, the character which the constitution requires.

3. The principal Instructor of all beneficiaries, and the Committee, who examined them, are constituted their joint Guardians, and are expected to watch with due vigilance over their conduct;—to see that they receive a thorough education;—to guard them against imprudence in their expenses or in contracting debts; and, in general, against every thing which would tend to violate these rules, or defeat the object of this Institution;—and finally, to acquaint the Board seasonably and faithfully, with any thing manifestly faulty in their character or conduct.

4. No Student, after choosing the place of his study in either stage of his education, shall, without the approbation of the Directors, or of those whom they shall appoint as his Guardians,

* The present Clerk is REV. ASA EATON, Boston.

remove to another place ;*—nor shall any beneficiary without such approbation, attempt to advance from the first to the second stage of his education.

5. To prevent mistakes, it is to be understood that all applications for the patronage of the Society, and all communications from beneficiaries, or respecting them, may be made to the Clerk of the Directors. All applications, however, for monies appropriated to individual beneficiaries, (of which appropriations they have been duly informed by the Clerk,) are to be made by written order of the beneficiaries, or of their principal Instructors, addressed to the Treasurer. But no monies are sent from the Treasury by mail.

6. All remittances of money, or other property, from benevolent societies or individuals, may be made to the Treasurer of the Society.†

7. The three senior officers of the several New England Colleges, of Union and Hamilton Colleges, Nassau Hall, University of North Carolina, Greenville College, Georgia University, and the Columbian College, are authorised and requested to act as committees to examine candidates for assistance, in behalf of the American Education Society, according to the Constitution and rules of the Directors. Also, the existing President, Vice Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer of the South Carolina Auxiliary Education Society, in Charleston and the low country, for the low country ; and the Rev. James S. Adams, York District, the Rev. Robert B. Walker, York District, and the Rev. John B. Davis, Fishing Creek, for the up country ; the Rev. M. Murphy, Rev. Mr. McWhir, Rev. Henry J. Ripley, and T. Mallard Esq. in the low country of Georgia ; and the Rev. Nathan S. S. Bee-man, Hon. John A. Cuthbert, Joseph Bryan, Esq. and Augustus Moore, Esq. in the up country, Georgia.

8. The Directors will hold stated quarterly meetings in Bos-

* It is the uniform principle of the Board not to show exclusive or partial regard to any literary institution ; although they wish it to be understood, that they decidedly prefer a public school to a private one.

† The present Treasurer is MR. AARON P. CLEVELAND, Merchants' Row, Boston.



on, on the second Wednesday of January, April, July, and October, at 10 o'clock, A. M. And the Committee of the Directors will meet at 3 o'clock, P. M. of the preceding day, for the purpose of examining those, who apply for the charity of this society.

9. In applications for a share in this sacred charity, instances of gross fraud or imposition, should they occur, shall be publicly exposed, at the discretion of the Directors.

10. Every beneficiary, as a condition of enjoying charity, shall, in the whole course of his education, conform exactly to the Constitution of the Society, and to the rules of the Directors.

✎ The Instructors of the beneficiaries of this Society are requested to preserve these Rules, and to see that the communications of their pupils to the Board, are prepared in conformity to them.

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## CONSTITUTION

OF THE

# American Education Society.

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THE object of this Society is to educate pious young men for the gospel ministry.

ART. I. ANY person, who shall subscribe and annually pay into the Treasury, a sum not less than five dollars, and if a clergyman, two dollars, shall be a member of this Society: and any person who shall pay, at one time, one hundred dollars, and if a clergyman, forty dollars, shall be a member for life.

ART. II. A permanent fund shall be formed of bequests, legacies, donations and grants, thus appropriated by the donors; and of any other property of the Society, as the Directors may think best calculated to promote the object in view.

ART. III. There shall annually be chosen, by ballot, a President, Vice President, Clerk, and Treasurer, and such other officers as may be found necessary ; who shall continue in office till others shall be chosen in their stead.

ART. IV. This Society shall, from time to time, by ballot elect such a number of honorary Vice Presidents, as they may judge expedient.

ART. V. The Society shall annually appoint, by ballot, seven Directors ; who, together with the President and Vice President of the Society, shall constitute a Board of Directors. It shall be the duty of this Board to increase the funds of the Society by soliciting themselves, and by appointing and instructing agents to solicit, the aid requisite to achieve the object in view. This Board shall have the power of appropriating all monies for the support of beneficiaries ; of examining and selecting candidates for this charity : and likewise of appointing agents, to examine and recommend applicants living in distant parts ; and generally of transacting all business necessary for the furtherance of the object of this Society, not otherwise herein provided for. The Directors shall also keep a fair record of their proceedings, and annually make report of their transactions to the Society.

ART. VI. Qualified candidates for this charity may be aided in each stage of preparatory education for the ministry ; but except in very singular cases, no applicant shall be assisted, even in the first stage, who shall not produce, from serious and respectable characters, unequivocal testimonials of hopeful piety, promising talents, and real indigence ; nor shall any person be continued on this foundation, whose instructor or instructors, except in very special cases, shall not annually exhibit to the Directors, satisfactory evidence, that, in point of genius, diligence, literary progress, morals, and piety, he is a proper character to receive this sacred charity ; in addition to which, each beneficiary, after his admission into any college, shall annually exhibit to the Directors, a written declaration, that it continues to be his serious purpose to devote his life to the gospel ministry.

ART. VII. If any person, who has been assisted by the Society, shall not devote himself to the gospel ministry, he shall, within

reasonable time, refund the sum expended for his education, with lawful interest, whenever required by the Directors.

ART. VIII. The President, and in his absence, the Vice President, in concurrence with three of the Directors, shall have power to call special meetings of the Society.

ART. IX. The Treasurer shall be bound with two sureties, in reasonable sum, to be determined by the Directors, to the faithful discharge of his duty. He shall vest the property of the Society, in the safest and most productive forms; make payments and advances of money, from time to time, agreeably to the orders of the Directors; and annually render to the Society, a written account of all receipts and expenditures within the year, of the amount of its funds, and of the manner in which they are vested. This account to be previously examined and approved, in writing, by a committee of the Society, annually chosen for the purpose. He shall also give to the Directors, whenever they request it, a particular account of the state of the Treasury.

ART. X. The Society shall meet annually in Boston, on the Wednesday succeeding the fourth Wednesday, of September, to attend public worship, to elect officers, to choose a preacher for the ensuing anniversary, to hear the report of the Directors, and of the Treasurer, and to transact other necessary business.

ART. XI. At all meetings of the Society, twenty members shall be requisite to constitute a quorum; and every meeting of the Society, and of the Directors, shall be opened with prayer.

ART. XII. The Presidents of all Societies, auxiliaries to this, which shall pay annually, five hundred dollars into the Treasury of this Society, shall be, ex officio, honorary Vice Presidents of this Society; and any person, who shall at one time pay five hundred dollars into the Treasury, shall be an honorary Vice President for life.

ART. XIII. Whenever a Society shall be formed, by the inhabitants of any State, or district of any State, whose distance renders an immediate connexion with this Society impracticable, and such Society shall adopt the essential principles of this Con-

stitution, especially the provisions of the sixth article, as the basis of its own, and shall annually raise the sum of two thousand dollars, such Society upon due notice of its existence, and desire of union, shall be received, as a constituent branch of the American Society.

Every such Branch Society shall possess the right of appointing its own officers, including a Board of Directors and a Treasurer; and also the right of appropriating its own funds for the assistance of beneficiaries, who may apply for assistance, and who shall have in all respects, the requisite qualifications. Every candidate for such charity shall be examined by a committee of three competent men, two of whom shall be appointed by the Directors of said Branch Society, and one, by the Directors of this Society; and, if approved, may prosecute his studies preparatory to the ministry, under the immediate superintendence of the Directors of said Branch Society; or if they shall deem it expedient, such candidate may be committed to the charge of the Directors of this Society. All monies of any Branch Society, not appropriated as above, shall be transmitted to the general Treasury; and whenever the exigencies of such Society shall exceed its own resources, it may apply for assistance to the Directors of this Society.

ART. XIV. Presidents of Branch Societies shall be honorary Vice Presidents of this Society, and also honorary members of the Board of Directors.

ART. XV. The Directors shall have power to supply any vacancies that may occur in their own Board, or in the officers of the Society, till the next annual meeting.

ART. XVI. No alteration of this Constitution shall be made, except on recommendation of the Directors, and by vote of three fourths of the members present, at an annual meeting; or unless the proposed alteration shall have been submitted to the Society, in writing, at a previous meeting.